

REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 13, and 14 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 36 – 38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 36 – 38 have been cancelled. Therefore, this rejection is moot.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 36 – 38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Satoh et al (U.S. Pat. No. 5,107,355). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As stated above, claims 36 – 38 have been cancelled. Therefore, this rejection is moot.

Claims 36 – 38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Yamanaka et al (U.S. Pat. No. 4,859,036). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Again, claims 36 – 38 have been cancelled. Therefore this rejection is moot.

Claims 36 – 38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Coissard (U.S. Pat. No. 4,689,116). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

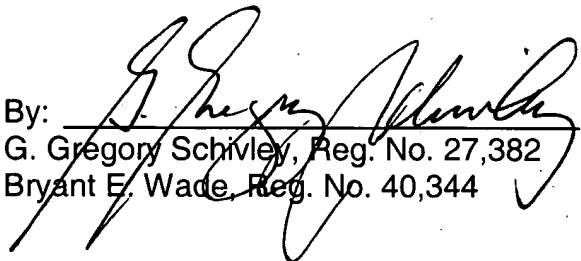
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CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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